

MISKATONIC UNIVERSITY

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MISKATONIC UNIVERSITY is the diplomacy 'zine of Anders Swenson who is presently "encountering" Basic Training at Fort Ord as part of his Guard training. In the interim, MISKATONIC is being published by :

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Charles G. Brannan, General Delivery, Berkeley, California writes:

AND NOW, WE HAVE "SWENSON'S RULE!! Those of us unfortunate enough to read "MISKATONIC UNIVERSITY" (more properly known as Swenson's Folly) have found therein a new rule even worse than Miller's infamous "Rule 9." Swenson, who apparently has no use for heroes ((howdja guess?)) has published a rule applicable to Postal Diplomacy games in his "MISKATONIC UNIVERSITY" which penalizes any lone units which must fight in more than one direction.

"Swenson's Rule" requires that a unit which attempts to move relinquishes all rights as to the province from which it is trying to move from ((sic)). This allows any other single unsupported unit to enter that province. Further, "Swenson's Rule" demands that if this single unit is stood off where it is attempting to move to and another unit captures its beginning point the single unit's attack as well is voided. The opposing unit that stood it off takes the province that the single unit attacked and the enemy unit requires no support. The single unit is thus unsuccessful in both places and the opposing units occupy both provinces.

BUT THAT'S NOT ALL!! OH, NOT ENOUGH FOR THE DIABOLICAL SWENSON! "Swenson's Rule" also does not even allow the single unit to retreat! It is removed from the board for even daring to try to defend itself.

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Before he left for Ord, Andy prepared the following reply:

Sorry about that! some folk saw the above in the editorial department of "Wild 'n Wooly," and submitted the following (cont.)

AUSTRIA: A Galicia to Rumania
A Serbia stand

RUSSIA: A Ukraina to Galicia
A Bulgaria to Serbia
A Rumania S A Bulgaria to Serbia

All this according to my conception of the rules to Napoleonic Diplomacy. No units were removed according to my rule #4, because no unit was 1) bounced from an otherwise empty province, and 2) simultaneously attacked in its home or starting province.

In accordance with the above explanation, I will th interpret the "Swenson Rule" as applying only when 1) the piece concerned attacks a province unoccupied at the start of the turn, and the attack fails, and 2) the province it was attacking from (i.e. its province of origin) is simultaneously attacked. Thus:

OOps, sorry folks, but I can see a situation where my explanation could be misleading, but we won't bother with that now or ever. for that matter, unless the situation occurs.

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"Charlie--things here as lousy as expected. Address:

...I'll write later when I can buy paper...

Good luck!
Andy

PRESS RELEASES for 1966MB:

KONSTANTINOPOLIS (BBC): At his semi-annual press conference, held in the sumptuous "Fruit of Reissy" chamber of the Topkapi Seraglio, Pasha Hareem Al-Rashid announced extension of the Ottoman hand of friendship to the now-neighboring empire of Austria-Hungary. "In view of the evident political disorder surrounding the Hapsburg Throne," he remarked, "we have decided to include the Austro-Hungarians under our mantle of Collective Defense until such time as a rehabilitated Austria-Hungary can fully face on its own the menace of Devouring Democracy. We invite international participation in the renovation of the north Balkan empire according to the terms of the Black Sea Conference of 1797, the Trans-Caucasian Talks of 1799, and the Moscow-Konstantinopolis Agreement of 1801."

The Imperial Parliament, set to elect a Loyal Opposition after the coming Higeri Week Liberty Festival and Political Executions, voted unanimously to back the Pasha's proposal. A vote of acclamation was also accorded the emperor in regard to the controversial measure to adopt the defense program originated by Sky Ministry Grand Cyclops Dhermann von Ghuringh. Though harshly criticized as "not impossibly unwise" by Imperially Bedecked General Omar ibn Mountbatman of the famed Emerald Veil djinn special forces, the program has met with acclaim in most military quarters in spite of its call to extend the strategic air fleets at the expense of other conventional units.

Another innovation called for will add yet more effectiveness to the Imperial Sky Service, whose flying oappets with 2000-kilo Greek fire loads were so decisive in the Ottoman-victorious Turko-Melnibonéan War. A division of troops, to be dropped from transport rugs by Icarian wing in support of ground forces, is currently undergoing rigorous training to bring it up to Imperial fighting standards. The majority of this experimental unit has been taken from the Bear Creek Brigade of foreign mercenaries.

On the political scene, unrest continues over the coming elections. Informed sources indicate Ahmed Peter Disraeli, well-known used-wife merchant and reputed power behind the Moonstone Throne, and Sheikh Djeorg Ztevens, possible Grand Kingfisher of the suppressed Mystic Knights of the Sea sect, have most support among the populace. Stories continue to spread, however, about the Pasha's twin brother, mysteriously abducted at birth and said to have been imprisoned in an iron fez for thirty-seven years at his brother's command. A corps of Hassanite Guardsmen from the Imperial Ministry of Public Information and Cultural Reform has been sent out to dispel the rumors.

LONDON AND MOSCOW: Jointly issued on the occasion of a state visit to London by His Imperious Majesty the Czar: The English and Russian governments issued a joint statement in celebration of the warm, fraternal relationships between their countries. His Majesty was received in London by hysterical throngs of Englishmen throwing roses, carnations, dahlias, and tomatoes in his path. His Majesty agreed to recognize English territorial rights in

Holland, Belgium, Picardy, and Brest. The English government recognized Russian sovereignty in Galicia, Bohemia, Tyrolia, and Vienna. The two governments expressed their profound desire for peace in Europe.

MOSCOW: During the absence of the czar, a brief revolt took place in Moscow, led by General Rebhellnikoff. The return of the czar, proceeded by an army under the command of Gen. Ivan Kruscher led to the collapse of the rebellion. Among the documents captured was the text of a press release expressing conciliatory feelings toward the Holy Rolling Emperor. The czar took pains to deny the declaration of war attributed to Him by MISKATONIC UNIVERSITY and emphasized that his presence in Galicia had been a gesture of warning to Austria. However Austrian forces attacked the Russian armies in a cowardly felonious assault that represented a further extension of her aggressive policies towards Holy Mother Russia. This, in combination with obvious Austrian support of the Rebhellnikoff revolution necessitates a declaration of a state of war between our countries. Russia is willing to accept peace based on recognition of Russian sovereignty in Bohemia, Galicia, Tyrolia, and Vienna, and the return of the revolting rebel Turhan Bey Pasha, who was reported to have fled to Budapest after his revolt collapsed. His Majesty concluded with an earnest prayer for peace.

LONDON: His excellency, Lord Kitchner-Battenmount Zilch, First Lord of the Admiralty, Second Lord of the Undership of the Air, states that "the sovereignty of the North Sea, the English Channel, the Irish Sea, the Mid-Atlantic, and the Western Mediterranean will be maintained. We will at any time offer assistance, succor Freudian casework principles, and Malatiasn ((?)) revolutionary practices to any indigenous population."

OH YES, THE MOVES!

1966 MB

AUSTRIA ATTACKED!!! BALKAN WAR CLOUDS!!! ANARCHY IN FRANCE!!!

AUSTRIA (Bailey): F Albania-Greece, A Serbia (S) F Albania-Greece,
A Vienna-Bohemia

ENGLAND (Vance): F North Sea-Holland, F English Channel-Belgium,
A Edinburgh stands ((The army is actually in York.))

FRANCE (Henderson): NO MOVES RECEIVED! F Mid-Atlantic, A Spain,
and A Picardy all stand.

RUSSIA (Carrillo): F Gulf of Bothnia-Sweden, A Warsaw-Galicia,
A Ukraina (S) A Warsaw-Galicia, F Rumania
(S) TURKISH A Bulgaria

TURKEY (Moslander): F Konstantinopolis-Aegean, A Smyrna-Konstantinopolis,
A Bulgaria stands

Russia, England, and Austria may each build ^{two} new new units;
Turkey and France may each build one. DEADLINE FOR WINTER 1901
BUILDS IS FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER AT 6 PM. All players please note my
notation system: underlined moves fail, a dash (-) indicates
"to" and an (S) indicates "supports" -- "convoy" would be (C).

1966 AP PRESS RELEASES:

BRUXELLES: Upon the occasion of his triumphal entry into the Belgian capital, First Consul Napoléon Bonaparte declared his firm resolve to "Maintain order in all those European states not blessed by a firm and mature guiding hand or who yet rest under the iron hand of despotism." He expressed his concern over "the present state of anarchy existing in Italy."

PARIS: The foreign ministry today demanded that Austria recognize Turkish suzerainty over Greece.

VERSAILLES: The English ambassador and members of his staff were feted last night at a state banquet at which the Foreign Minister stated in a toast, "To the only two constitutional governments in Europe--may they live forever in peace."

PARIS: The foreign ministry today delivered a sharply worded note to the Russian government objecting in most strenuous terms to the "unwarranted, unprovoked Russian attack on German territory which can only be termed naked aggression."

1966 AP

Winter 1801: TURKS AND ENGLISH FAIL TO ARM!!!!

The following builds were received:

FRANCE (Turner): A Paris, F Marseilles, F Brest

RUSSIA (Schow): A Moscow, F St. Petersburg (n.o.)

AUSTRIA (Krogh): F Trieste

ENGLAND (Bigglestone): NO ORDERS RECEIVED! ((could have built two))

TURKEY (Adams): NO ORDERS RECEIVED! ((could have built one))

DEADLINE FOR SPRING 1802 MOVES IS FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER AT 6 PM!

1966 AP moves and press releases should be sent to Brian Bailey.

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Note: All players are hereby informed that persons missing two moves in a row are subject to removal by the gamemaster of their respective game. It is the responsibility of each player to get his moves in on time; not the responsibility of the gamemaster.

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As Andy would say, GOOD LUCK, EVERYBODY!

Charlie

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The following cables were received:

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A circular stamp from the Concord, California Police Department. The outer ring contains the text "CONCORD CALIF." at the top and "1966" at the bottom. The center of the stamp features a large, stylized letter "P".

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